



AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 26 without prejudice or disclaimer, add new claim 29 and amend the claims as follows:

1-13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) A woven/non-woven fabric, comprising:

a plurality of waste threads of a natural fiber forming a web of a predetermined weight, wherein a consistency and a rigidity of the web are provided by a purified water spray at high pressure and subsequent removal of moisture using high temperature, ~~and~~

wherein said plurality of waste threads comprises fibers having a substantially uniform length, and

wherein said fibers are bound in a horizontal direction co-planar with a plane of the web and in a transversal direction perpendicular to the plane of the web.

15. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise a length in a range of between about 8 mm to about 18 mm, and

wherein a weight of said web of waste threads is not less than about 35 grams per square meter.

16. (Original) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads comprise a by-product of a spinning process.

17. (Original) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads comprise pure cotton.

18-20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise a length in a range of between about 8 mm to about 18 mm.

22. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads comprise non-allergenic natural fiber.

23. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise not greater than 4.5 micrograms per inch of fiber length.

24. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein the fabric comprises a high absorption capacity.

25. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 24, wherein said absorption capacity is in a range of about 15 times to about 16 times a weight of the fabric.

26. (Canceled)

27. (Currently Amended) A woven/non-woven fabric, comprising:

a plurality of threads of a fiber forming a web,

wherein said plurality of threads comprises fibers having a substantially uniform

length, and

wherein said fibers are bound in a horizontal direction co-planar with a plane of the web and in a transversal direction perpendicular to the plane of the web.

28. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said web comprises a thickness in a range from 1 mm to 10 mm.

29. (New) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads consists of pure cotton.